ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

APRIL 19, 2026 | THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER | ARTIST: EUGENIUSZ KAZIMIROWSKI

FROM OUR PRIESTS

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Happy Sunday to you all! This Sunday, after two weeks spent celebrating the mercy of God and the victory of the Cross and Resurrection, we are invited to enter into a new phase of the Easter mystery. Jesus was the fulfillment of the Old Testament Scriptures. He was truly the Messiah and truly the Savior. The work and offering of the Paschal Mystery is complete, offering eternal life to each individual, but God is not done pouring out His graces. When we hear the proclamation of the fulfillment of the prophecies of the Old Covenant, our hearts should "burn within us," filled with zeal to share the good news. Christ not only saves us, but also sends down the Holy Spirit, pouring out His love and power into our hearts so that we may share in the mission of the Church, which is the Body of Christ. Now is not the time to sit back and rest on our laurels, but rather to press on in proclaiming salvation in Jesus Christ and the gift of the Holy Spirit promised to all who seek Him.

Campus Ministry: It has been a great joy throughout this year getting out on campus at EMU and WCC, ministering to the students. From root beer floats at the beginning of the year through Bible studies at both campuses, it has been an absolute pleasure to walk with them. We are coming to the end of the academic year and we have several celebrations in the weeks ahead to close out the year and celebrate those graduating. Please pray for all those preparing for finals and especially for those who will be graduating at the end of the month.

Courage of the Martyrs: I have found myself speaking about courage and fortitude in several distinct contexts in the last week or two. This great virtue and gift of the Holy Spirit is one of the distinguishing qualities found in the disciples after the Resurrection, and particularly after Pentecost. This week we celebrate the feast of two lesser-known martyrs, St. Adalbert of Prague (Thursday) and St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen (Friday). I invite you all to spend some time learning about one (or both) of these saints and ask their intercession for yourselves and for the whole Church, that we may be filled with the zeal and courage that they displayed in their lives.

God Bless You, *Fr. Jack*

MASS TIMES

Monday	12:15 PM
Tuesday	6:00 PM
Wednesday	8:00 AM
Thursday	8:00 AM
Friday	12:15 PM
Saturday	8:00 AM
	5:00 PM
Sunday	9:00 AM
	11:00 AM

9:00 AM Mass Livestreamed here.

Recitation of the Rosary is held after daily Mass, Wednesday through Saturday.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

In the Adoration Chapel

Monday 11:00 AM-12:00 PM
Tuesday 9:00 AM-5:45 PM
Wednesday 9:00 AM-9:00 PM
Friday 1:00 PM-5:00 PM

ALL-NIGHT ADORATION

First Friday of the Month
Friday, 1:00 PM through
Saturday, 7:45 AM

CONFESSION

Monday	11:00 AM
Tuesday	6:30 PM
Friday	11:00 AM
Saturday	3:30 PM

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OUR YOUTH PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION

Please keep the following youth of our parish in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday, April 23rd at Christ the King Catholic Church. Pray that they may be protected from spiritual attack, open to the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, strengthened by His gifts, and sealed in faith to live as bold witnesses of Christ and His Church.

- **Aaron Cook**
- **Myles Cook**
- **Lillian Fox**
- **Matthew Giannotti**
- **Marco Gonzalez**
- **Victoria Gonzalez**
- **James Gunawan**
- **Emily Holody**
- **Miriam Kangas**
- **Jude Lussier**
- **Stefano Patti**
- **Aubrey Smith**

OUR YOUTH PREPARING FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Please keep the following children of our parish in your prayers as they prepare to receive their First Holy Communion on April 25th and 26th at St. John the Baptist. Pray that they may be protected from spiritual harm, grow in reverence and love for the Holy Eucharist, and receive Our Lord with joyful and faithful hearts.

- **Elizabeth Dahl**
- **Casey Gentit**
- **Henry Kangas**
- **Ignacio Kshetrimayum**
- **Mayleen Salminen**
- **Casimir Anderson**
- **Donovan Bevins**
- **Adira Bevins**
- **Theodore Bradley**
- **Allison Burns**
- **Jack Butman**
- **Simon Center**
- **Elliot Champion**
- **Christopher Codouni**
- **Cecilia Comazzi**
- **Matilda Sastre**
- **Eliayah Simmons**
- **Jeremiah Stamps**
- **Georgette Wakeman**
- **Liam Wells**

DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL

"What we GIVE is what we have FROM *the Lord*"

1 Chronicles 29:14

Please scan the QR code or visit www.dioceseoflansing.org/appeal to make a life-changing gift to DSA today!

SJBeat

Ongoing opportunities for prayer, formation, and community at SJB. Invite a friend and dive deeper into discipleship!

WOMEN'S BREAKFAST

SATURDAY, APRIL 25TH
after the 8 AM Mass
downstairs in the PLC

MAY ALL-NIGHT ADORATION

FRIDAY, MAY 1ST, 5PM TO
SATURDAY, MAY 2ND, 7:45AM
in the Adoration Chapel

SCAN THE QR CODE TO SIGN UP

HOLY BREWS

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6TH
7:00 PM
Ypsi Alehouse
124 Pearl St #100

MEN'S MINISTRY MORNING

SATURDAY, MAY 9TH
6:00 AM
downstairs in the PLC

Join us for fraternity and fellowship!

WORSHIP NIGHT

FRIDAY, MAY 15TH
6:30 PM
in the sanctuary

"WHAT THE CHURCH TEACHES" SERIES

- APRIL 20TH – The Priesthood of the People
- APRIL 27TH – Being Catholic in a Non-Catholic World
- MAY 4TH – Ecumenism and other Religions

MONDAYS AT 6:30
downstairs in the PLC

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR THE FULL SCHEDULE.

SHOP SJB APPAREL!

The SJB Apparel Store is now open! Browse a selection of practical, comfortable gear for all ages. A portion of each purchase comes back to the parish, supporting our ministries and strengthening our shared parish life. Orders can be placed online at your convenience. Take a look and represent SJB wherever you go!

SCAN THE QR CODE TO SHOP!

YOUTH DISCIPLESHIP

At St. John the Baptist, we partner with families to intentionally form youth into joyful missionary disciples. We walk with families and youth in their discipleship journey, offering meaningful opportunities to grow in their faith and belong to a Christ-centered community.

Sign up for our email list to stay up to date on Youth Discipleship Opportunities including Family Faith Formation, Wildfire - Middle School Ministry, and High School Ministry.

SCAN THE QR CODE TO JOIN THE EMAIL LIST.

FOOD PANTRY

Through our Food Pantry, St. John the Baptist serves neighbors in need while inviting parishioners to live out Christ's call to love and serve others. Join us in this mission by volunteering, especially if you are bilingual (Spanish-speaking), or by spreading the word to those in need.

FOOD PANTRY HOURS
Thursdays from 6:00–7:30 PM.
Hours may vary during holidays.

SCAN THE QR CODE TO VOLUNTEER & LEARN MORE.

CAMPUS MINISTRY

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SJB SPRING GROUNDS CLEAN-UP

Join us for our SJB Spring Grounds Clean-Up on Saturday, April 25, following the 8:00 AM Mass. We'll be working together to care for the Marian garden, rectory yard, and general church grounds as we prepare for the season ahead. This is a great opportunity to meet other parishioners and serve the church community.

All are invited to help, including men, women, and families with children. Please bring leaf bags, rakes, pruners, and any other yard tools you may find useful. Email gardenerdoug@yahoo.com with questions.

SATURDAY, APRIL 25
AFTER THE 8 AM MASS

SEMINAR ON ANXIETY & OCD FROM A CATHOLIC PERSPECTIVE

Seeing others struggle with anxiety and OCD, or noticing it in yourself, can feel scary and overwhelming. This seminar will offer helpful, evidence-based information and practical tools so you feel more equipped. We will explore how to identify anxiety and what you can do to support yourself and others on the journey toward greater freedom and deeper trust in God.

MONDAY, APRIL 27
7:30 - 9:00 PM
ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE, ANN ARBOR
IN THE PARISH HALL

SPRING YARD CLEAN-UP FOR SENIORS WITH CATHOLIC CHARITIES!

Volunteer with us for a meaningful spring morning of service! Spend a few hours raking, trimming, and refreshing the yards of senior neighbors so they can continue aging safely at home. All ages are welcome, but minors need to be supervised by a responsible adult.

APRIL 25 (SIGN UP BY APRIL 18)
MAY 16 (SIGN UP BY MAY 9)

SCAN THE QR CODE TO SIGN UP!

MEMORIAL MASS FOR PREBORN & STILLBORN CHILDREN

On Saturday, May 2, join others who share your sorrow for a Catholic Mass in recognition of your loss, no matter what the circumstances, no matter how long ago, no matter what your relationship to the child.

- Names read aloud in our Prayers of the Faithful
- Flowers for each small soul
- Memorial Candles
- Anointing and blessing offered after Mass

SATURDAY, MAY 2 AT 9:00 AM
THOMAS THE APOSTLE, ANN ARBOR
RSVP VIA THE QR CODE

PREMIERE BOOK READING OF "LOVE, YOUR LITTLE SAINT IN HEAVEN"

Join us on May 2nd for the premiere book reading of Love, Your Little Saint in Heaven, a tender and faith-filled book for the whole family about finding peace and comfort in the midst of grieving the loss of an (unborn) infant. The author, parishioner Elisabeth Flanagan, and the illustrator, fellow parishioner Anna Njoku, will both be present and available to connect briefly after the reading. Copies will be available for purchase.

STURDAY, MAY 2 AT 11:00 AM
DOWNSTAIRS IN THE PLC
RSVP VIA THE QR CODE

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - WE ARE MORE THAN CONQUERORS!

SJB parishioners are invited to enroll their children in this fun, faith-filled experience focused on the virtue of Fortitude and its daughter virtues: magnificence, industriousness, and patience.

Through Scripture, the lives of the saints, and hands-on activities, children will learn, create, sing, and grow as Holy Spirit-filled disciples of Jesus.

JUNE 15 - 19
CHRIST THE KING, ANN ARBOR
SCAN QR CODE TO LEARN MORE AND REGISTER

SACRAMENTS

MATRIMONY
Couples should contact the parish office to inquire about Marriage Formation as soon as they are engaged.

BAPTISM
Parents are required to complete preparation and must be registered parishioners for at least three months. Pre-registration is required. Please call the parish office for more information.

LAY MINISTER INFORMATION
If you are interested in serving as a Liturgical Minister or wish to update your schedule preferences, please submit your request by email to schedule@ypsicatholic.org.

REQUESTING MASS INTENTIONS
Call or visit the parish office to ask for a special day. Weekday and weekend Masses are available. The stipend for a Mass intention is $10. Mass cards are also available.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK
Please call the parish office for more information.

FUNERALS
Please call the parish office for more information.

OFFICE PHONE
734-483-3360

JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR...

Jake Meyer	Fred Hall
Pfc. Carter Hornbeck	Tom Moffit
Caroline Stramecky	Ben Hunt
Rebecca McKenzie	Peter Wadaga

Please call the parish office if you would like to add a name to the intercessions for healing or for those serving in the armed forces. Names remain on the list for four weeks unless you request an extension.

Our Book of Petitions is also available in the Gathering Space, and these intentions are prayed for at every Mass.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, APRIL 20TH
12:15 PM:† Jay Cimino & Mike McCully
Requested by Leanna McCully

TUESDAY, APRIL 21ST
6:00 PM: Intentions of Lilly Brannigan
Requested by Eileen Meyer

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22ND
8:00 AM: Intentions of Mary Firn
Requested by William Firn

THURSDAY, APRIL 23RD
6:00 PM:† Julie Renterghem Roos
Requested by Natalie Klackle

FRIDAY, APRIL 24TH
3:00 PM: Increase in Vocations

SATURDAY, APRIL 25TH
8:00 AM:† Janelle Powell
Requested by Katie Merlo

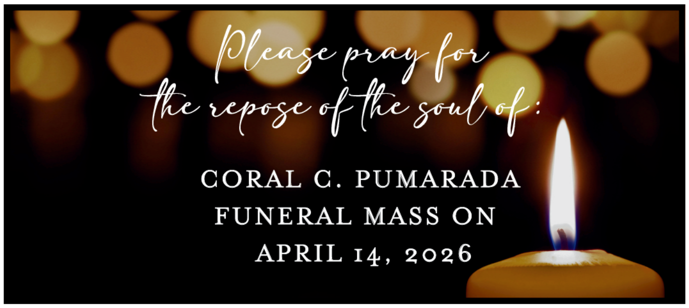
5:00 PM: Intentions of Dale Bourdeau
Requested by Nina Bourdeau

SUNDAY, APRIL 26TH
9:00 AM:† Linda Clancy
Requested by Mickey Ichesco

11 AM: People of the Parish

FUNERAL NOTICE

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Norman L. Stoll. The Funeral Mass will be held on Friday, April 24 at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Ypsilanti, MI. Memorial Gathering: 1:00–2:00 PM; Funeral Mass: 2:00 PM.



St. George

APRIL 23, 2026

St. George was born in the third century A.D. and raised as a Christian during the time of Diocletian's rule of the Roman Empire. He later became a soldier for the Roman army, and is remembered as a great and noble soldier, commended by many for his heroics.

His courage and boldness did not stop with his service in the army, but showed through his witness to Christ up until his martyrdom. In 303 A.D., Diocletian strengthened his efforts to suppress Christianity and promote paganism—as he believed that would bring more unity to the Empire. George, being one of Diocletian's top aides, was instructed to persecute Christians and participate in pagan sacrifice as a pledge of loyalty and allegiance. George refused and declared his belief in Christ, and for that he was arrested.

Following his arrest, he was tortured and subjected to execution attempts. In their first attempt, they tried to kill him by binding him to a spiked wheel, but he was unharmed. Next, they buried him in a pit full of water and lime, but three days later they dug up his body, only to find him still alive. They tried other ways to kill him and were unsuccessful, and finally, he was beheaded.

There are many legends attributed to St. George and many are not fully proven to have occurred, but they no doubt reflect correctly on his character and his dedication to Christ, in a fearless and courageous way. For example, the legend of the slaying of the dragon is perhaps the most famous. In this legend he confronts the beast, which is demanding the human sacrifice of the king's daughter, and strikes it down with his lance, thus resulting in a mass conversion of the townspeople to Christianity.

St. George is the patron saint of soldiers, knights, and England, and is often invoked against the plague, leprosy, and venomous snakes.

St. George, Pray for us!

Written by Anna Njoku

LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE
APRIL 25TH & APRIL 26TH

SATURDAY 5:00 PM	SUNDAY 9:00 AM	SUNDAY 11:00 AM
USHERS		
Fred Burdick	Marie Lenhardt	Alex Uram
Josh Reszke	Angela Parrinello	Steve Uram
Need Volunteer	Christine Sullivan	Aimee Uram-Taylor
Need Volunteer	**Need Volunteer**	Carol Wack
GREETERS		
Rebecca Thomason	John Belleba	Barb Stimach
Need Volunteer	Sandra Sabatini	Sharon Zielinski
LECTORS		
Kathy Badgerow	Jessica Jenkins	Becky Diachun
Jeff Kerner	Sarah Scholl	Theresa Urbanic
SACRISTAN		
Christine Kim	Lucy Shaw	Judy Ramirez
ALTAR SERVERS		
Damien Dahl	Adrian Anderson	Hank Kangas
Jordan Wells	Kellan Gentit	Tom Kangas
Need Volunteer	Mathias Gentit	Jayden Smith

LAY MINISTERS ARE NEEDED TO SERVE AT OUR MASSES. IF YOU'D LIKE TO SERVE AND RECEIVE TRAINING, CONTACT SR. MARY AT SRMARY@YPSICATHOLIC.ORG.

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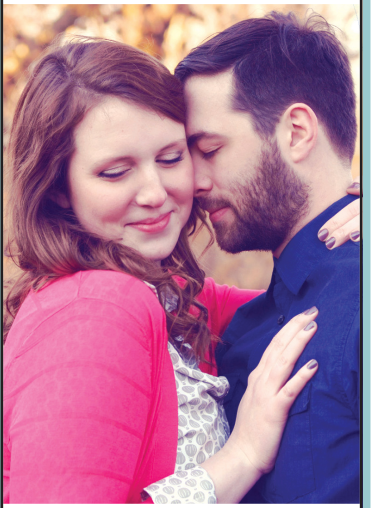
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